I am appalled that the NAB would try to use its lobbyists to influence the FCC and block XM Radio's newest localized services. I was one of the first in Indianapolis to buy XM Radio and paid a premium. The advantages over local radio (which bury listeners with 22 minutes of ads and promos each hour!) are obvious and now a million listeners have followed me.

The politics of this remind me of exactly what I went through when I bought a satellite dish 10 years ago. I loved getting local news from around the country. I loved getting improved digital video and audio from the major networks. In the blink of an eye lawsuits and the FCC took those clear signals away from me. Now I pay \$6 each month to get the same lousy local channels I got for free before DIRECTV existed. Ugh.

Please, FCC don't make the same mistakes with Sat Radio. There should be no "gentleman's agreement" between Sat Radio and the large radio chains. It smacks of antitrust violations. Make them all compete within the spririt of the FCC's charter and decades of antitrust rulings.

Thanks for listening.